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CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
CLEVELANDIN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ELDRIDGE SMITH,

Defendant.

INFORMATION

CASE NO.

1 : 25 MJ 08001Title 18, United States Code,
Section 641**MAG JUDGE GRIMES**COUNTS 1-2

(Theft of Government Funds, 18 U.S.C. § 641)

The United States Attorney charges:

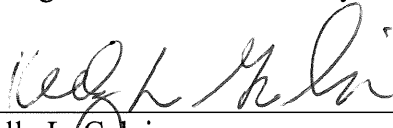
1. On or about each of the dates set forth below, in the Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, and elsewhere, Defendant ELDRIDGE SMITH, in a continuing course of conduct, knowingly and willfully embezzled, stole, purloined, and converted to his own use money of the United States or any department or agency thereof, to wit: Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) benefits obtained by fraud from the Small Business Administration, each taking constituting a separate count of this Information:

Count	Approximate Date(s)	Description of Taking
1	May 26, 2021	An ACH transfer of approximately \$20,010 in PPP loan benefits
2	June 8, 2021	An ACH transfer of approximately \$20,010 in PPP loan benefits

all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641.

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